THE COMPLETE – MATURE - MESSENGER

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Sometimes we get caught up in things. We get caught up in things and we think that because we don't have our nose stuck in the book, because we are not on our knees, because we're not with our hands clasped and our eyes closed, that God does not speak to us, but the only thing that stops God from speaking to you as individuals is your own mind. If we busy ourselves so much with clutter in our lives, these things of this world, we can't hear God. It's not that God is not speaking; it is that we can't hear because our mind is racing about all these things that the world puts out. Let me ask you this question; is there anything in this world more important than God in your life? What's the answer? NO. Then why do we let these things, this is not condemnation, and I'm just asking you a question. We need to ask ourselves, why do we let all these temporal things have such a drag in our lives? We need to come to a place where we realize, God has said it many, many times, we've heard it said many times by many people, that this stuff is temporal; it doesn't make any difference. We have to learn to overlook these temporal things. It's not to say; I ignore them and then let the inside be all torn up, but we have to come to a place where we understand that this is what God wants in our life. If He didn't want it would it be here? So God is placing us in this walk in our lives. He has placed this, what I call, " a custom made walk" for each individual. For all the hell you have walked through; do you think it was because of something you did? Bless God we are coming to the understanding that God set this up in your life. It's not punishment for you, this is just things that God set up in our lives that will bring us to Him. What is the ultimate purpose of this life anyway? To bring us back to Him. It is not about punishing us for doing right or wrong, or rewarding us for right and punishing us for wrong. That's not the purpose of this life. The purpose of this life is reconciling this creation back to the Father, the Creator. So if we can get our minds in this way, don't look the wrong way, don't look at all this temporal stuff. Look at the reality. The reality is not what you see, feel, taste and touch. The reality is what? Spirit. Remember that. And when we read this book, know that God will talk to you in your what? In your Spirit, or in your heart. That's right; heart and spirit is the same thing.

Revelation Chapter Eight

Verse:

- 1. And when he had opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour.
- 2. And I saw the seven angels which stood before God; and to them were given seven trumpets.
- 3. And another angel came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the golden alter which was before the throne.
- 4. And the smoke of the incense, which came with the prayers of the saints, ascended up before God out of the Angel's hand.
- 5. And the angel took the censer, and filled it with fire of the altar, and cast it into the earth: and there were voices, and thunderings, and lightnings, and an earthquake.
- 6. And the seven angels which had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound.
- 7. The first angel sounded, and there followed hail and fire mingled with blood, and they were cast upon the earth: and the third part of trees was burnt up, and all green grass was burnt up.
- 8. And the second angel sounded, and as it were a great mountain burning with fire was cast into the sea: and the third part of the sea became blood;
- 9. And the third part of the creatures which were in the sea, and had life, died; and the third part of the ships were destroyed.
- 10. And the third angel sounded, and there fell a great star from heaven, burning as it were a lamp, and it fell upon the third part of the rivers and upon the fountains of waters;
- 11. And the name of the star is called Wormwood: and the third part of the waters became wormwood; and many men died of the waters, because there were made bitter.
- 12. And the fourth angel sounded, and the third part of the sun was smitten, and the third part of the moon, and the third part of the stars; so as the third part of them was darkened, and the day shone not for a third part of it, and the night likewise.
- 13. And I beheld, and heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud voice, Woe, woe, woe, to the inhabiters of the earth by

reason of the other voices of the trumpet of the three angels, which are yet to sound!

It's very important to know that this book is not something that we are not supposed to touch. It's not something that we don't understand because God HAS given us an understanding of this book. It's something we need in our lives, today.

Vs 1 And it says that, "When he had opened the seven seals". Who was the he? <u>It was the Christ</u>. It was the Lamb of God who had been slain in Chapter 4, who was worthy to open the seals, right? This is who it is; this is the Christ. Now, if you think this is that Jesus, the one man, who walked upon the earth two thousand years ago that opened this book, you've missed it. This is the Christ that was formed in Genesis Chapter 1; it's the Christ. Not the one man in the flesh body. When Jesus died on the cross, who died with Him? <u>His body</u>. His body died didn't it? That is us. Do you understand what I am saying here? This Christ that opened this seal, who do you think it is? It's not just that Jesus that walked two thousand years ago. It's about the Christ, the Corporate Man. "And when the corporate man, this corporate Christ opened the seventh seal, there was a silence in heaven for the space of a half an hour."

Vs 2 "And I saw the seven angels, which stood before God". Seven messengers. We know seven is a spiritual number, right? So, seven doesn't mean literally seven does it? It's his messengers. Well how many messengers is there? A whole bunch of us isn't there; a whole bunch of messengers. We can't get locked up on this number of just being exactly a certain thing; it's a spiritual book. Seven is perfection; it's His perfected messengers, or His mature messengers. "And they stood before God, and to them were given seven trumpets." Now, if you think that these trumpets are one of those horns that go "tadoot-toot-toot-toot-toottoot". That's not what he's talking about. It's all in symbolism. Every time it speaks of a trumpet, it speaks of the word of God being spoken. He said, I heard the word, as it was a what? Trumpet. He's talking about the word of God coming out of these perfected messengers. Now notice there weren't just one messenger was there? The way the Spirit has shown this to me is there's seven impartations of the word. It is seven different words that God gave. This is about putting the word into oneness, the Feast of Tabernacles, but it's going to come from different directions. There is a reason why there are people in the outer court. There's a reason why there's people in the Pentecostal realm, the second day, the Holy Place. And there are reasons for people being in the Third Realm, The Holy of Holies, into the Feast of Tabernacles. These are things God has set up

into the Feast of Tabernacles. These are things God has set up, but there are seven different words that are given to these seven different messengers or these mature messengers. They're given a mature word aren't they? This is something that will change your life. You can go hear some people preach the rest of your life and you can set in your carnality and you will never be convicted of change. Is that true? I know people who sit in church 40 to 50 years and they never change. They died and never changed, because they never heard a word that was from the Christ that was from the throne that would change their lives.

The word of God will challenge you in your life; do you know that? It will challenge you daily in your life to do something different, and when you don't hear it, there will be no challenge in your life. When you hear the truth of God, it will challenge you every day. There are things that I did yesterday that I couldn't do today, because He challenged me in it today. Do you understand what I'm saying? There are things you could do last week that you can't do today, or last year, or last month. The Holy Spirit will challenge you with this word, that you hear, to live in it. Do you believe what you heard? If you say "yes", then guess what you've got to do? You've got to live it. You see you can't play anymore. There was a time when God winked at sin, wasn't there. But the scriptures says, now He requires all men to do what? <u>Repent.</u> Change the way you walk. You'll live your life the way you're supposed to. It's all tied together.

Vs 3 "And another angel came and stood at the altar having a golden censer:" or literally holding a golden censer," and there was given unto him much" what? Incense. This is the reason why it was given to him. In order that he should offer it. Notice that the words 'it with' is not even supposed to be there. It is not in the language. "He should offer the prayers of saints upon the golden altar, which was before the throne." Let me give you a few scripture. I Timothy 2:5, it speaks about Jesus being the mediator between God and man. Hebrews 12:24 says the same thing, that Jesus is the mediator between God and man. Who do you think this one was who was given these prayers, or this incense? Incense represents prayer in scripture. Who were these prayers given to? What do you think? Who did God give these prayers to pray? The Christ. The Christ. When we're mature messengers of God, and that doesn't mean just preachers, pastors or anything like that. It's when we're mature messengers and we grow up in our Spirit. You don't have to be a preacher to be a messenger of God do you? When we grow up in the Spirit, God gives us a responsibility, and I know most people don't like responsibility, but how do you get around it? Did Jesus carry

responsibility when He walked as a flesh man on the earth? Well we've got it to. If we're part of His body, if I have responsibility to do something, then I've got to go do it. I can't send my head somewhere to go do it and leave my body here can I? They go together. So if my head has a responsibility, my body does too. So we have a responsibility here, to do this what He says. It says to take these prayers, these incense and offer it on the golden alter which was before the throne. Now, it's God's altar, its gold, right? And we are to do what? We've done some of that this morning, we prayed for people that have been distracted, people who are sick, and people who are caught up in things. We prayed for them. That's part of our job, is it not? To take them to God, not to look down on them and say, oh you're the bad people, because they're not here this morning, or that they're out doing something that you would like to do, and you're not. They're doing it; you're not getting to. That's not what it's about. It's about taking them before the Father and lifting them up. You hear me? So that's what we're doing. This is the Christ. See we've got to see ourselves in this. If we can't see our self in it then what are we doing? Why would we even listen or read this book if it can't change our lives? There's no reasoning for it is there? It just doesn't make sense if it's not going to come alive in us. We've got to put this stuff away; "that it's for somebody else." Jesus said, "He could raise up sons out of stones", couldn't He? Are you going to let a rock take your place? I'm sorry; I'm not. I want what God has for me, and I want it for you. As bad as I want it for me, I want it for you. Just as bad.

Vs 4 And it says," the smoke of the incense, which came with the prayers of the saints" the words "which came with" is not supposed to be there they are added words. They are not in the language. So it says, "And the smoke of the incense, (literally "comma"), "the prayers of the saints," which he is telling you that the smoke of the incense was the prayers of the saints, "ascended before God, out of the angel's hand." The hand represents His ministry. That's what the Christ is about, the mediator; making it between God and man, because man can't get to God on his own, can he? He has to have that mediator, the Christ, the Spirit within us. His ministry, his hand, is the one releasing that to the Father. If we don't release them to the Father; if we don't take those prayers to the Father, how in the world are they going to get reconciled back to the Father? Tell me how are they going to do it? Only one way; we as the body of Christ, as the Sons; the First Fruit, have to take those back to the Father. Now this isn't some kind of carnal thing that we're going make a list up of every body we're going to pray over and we want to pray into the Kingdom. That's not it. Preston Eby just wrote a beautiful letter, this last time. I haven't read in the last two or three months; I haven't been able to read very much and this weekend I got back into the swing

of things and I got started reading again. And, just this past weekend, a lady was speaking to me and said, "I've got to ask you a question", and this is something that is probably in a whole bunch of your hearts, so you all need to hear it. She said, "As I came into this message, something has changed and I can't understand it, tell me, why? And I said, "Well, what are you talking about?" She said, "I can't pray." I said, "You can't pray?" She said, "No, no, I don't mean I can't pray, I don't have that unction to pray about all these little things that we always prayed about in Pentecost." Preston put the same thing right in that letter. I said, "When you come to this realm of God, you know who's in control, and I don't have to pray about every detail because my Father is in control." What do I pray? I pray His will. If I don't know His will, how can I pray it? But when I pray His will, 'Father thy will be done' not my will. Guess what? I can release it because I just agreed with His will. The pattern is perfect. If my will is His will, it has to be done. There is no choice about it, because you see, it's not my will to start with. It just became my will that I want to do what the Father wants. Whatever it is, that's fine with me, I just want to line up with the Father. If we do that, we aren't going to spend all the time praying, we are going to spend time fellowshipping with His Spirit.

It's not a bad thing. Now we know Jesus prayed right? Through scripture Jesus prayed. Did it say every morning, He went out and prayed; every noon, He went out and prayed; every evening, He went and prayed? Did it say He was constantly praying? There were only certain times that He prayed. He knew the Father's will, and when we come to this place of maturity, we don't have to pray all the time, we are in constant communication with Him. We know what His purposes are and He lets us go on with our life and do what we've got to do. When He needs us, we're right there. He knows that we're faithful to Him. There's no problem. He's not mad at us. Does anyone feel that God is mad at you? I hope not. If you don't pray all day long, does that mean God is going to be mad at you? No. You've got to understand that God loves us and He's got a purpose, and we've got to fit into His plan. Just because it doesn't fit into the religious pattern that they've tried to teach us in Babylon, that's not God. God is who God is, not who man has tried to make Him to be. In the Psalms it says that they tried to mark the Holy one of Israel. But you know what? If you go to the root of that word, it says they tried to shape Him. They tried to shape Him into the Jesus that they thought He should be. It's no different today. As much as they try to change Jesus in that first century, they are trying to change the Christ that's walking on the earth today, to fit the guide lines that is approved by their denomination, or their group or organization. Isn't that true? Everybody has their own guidelines, their own pattern, and they did not get them from this book.

They got together in a group and said, 'Well we like this, let's vote on it`, and they made what they wanted. Well, I'm sorry, you can't change God's word. He said, "My word will stand forever." And His pattern will always be there.

Vs 5 "And the angel took the censer and filled it with the fire of the altar and cast it" Where? "Into the earth." HELLO EARTH! You've got some fire in you. You know what? You know everybody thinks this is something bad. Do you know what this is? This is the day of Pentecost, honey. This is Pentecost. John the Baptist said in Matthew 3:11 "There's one that comes after I that's mightier than I, and He shall baptize you in the Holy Ghost and fire". This is the day of Pentecost. You see we had Passover in Chapter 4; the Lamb was freshly slain. Isn't that Passover? Now we're at Pentecost, how about that. Look what happened. "And the angel took the censer;" it was a golden censer wasn't it? That means it was God's. "Filled it with the fire of the altar and cast it into the earth." That's the Son of God being cast into the earth. The Holy Spirit. That was the day of Pentecost. What happened? Cloven tongues of fire sat upon how many? All of them. He put it in the earth that day, and look what happened, He was cast into the earth right? If you go into Mark 9:49, and in Luke 12:49, Jesus made a statement. He said, "I didn't come to bring peace to the earth, but to set a fire on it." Fire is not a bad thing. This fire that He put in the golden censer, this godly thing that He carried, was to carry the Spirit of purification into our lives. Fire is purification. He set a fire in us, to burn up all that old dross of our life. Do you see His pattern? It's a symbolic thing. It's a censer. It's something made of gold that they carried around and put incense and they let smoke out of. It was a physical thing, it was a shadow and a type and literally it's the Christ. The Christ is the one carrying everything; it's all about the Christ. So it's a symbolism of the Christ, it's a golden instrument and gold speaks of the nature of God. So they take this censer, which I say is the Christ, filled it with the fire of the altar, and cast it into the earth. It's the Spirit of God coming in.

"There were voices, and thunderings, and lightenings, and an earthquake." The voice is the voice of the Spirit of God. There was thunderings. Every time that you hear God's word, what do you hear going along with it? Thunderings, and lightening. Those are always associated with God speaking. And an Earthquake. What are you made out of? <u>Earth</u>. Here is the earthquake. It's in your head. It doesn't happen below your chin. It's all up above your chin and shoulders. How many of us can say that you haven't had a complete upheaval in your earth, since you've come to the truth? Have you had an upheaval? Have you had an earthquake? Have there been some things cracking in your earth, and breaking and things spewing out? Huh? Any of that going on in your life? <u>Hello</u>

<u>earthquakes</u>. You see God's just quaking your earth, and the only way He is going to get the things out that are not supposed to be there is to 'shake it up' and you know what? He won't miss a thing, because He says in the day that He started; That He is the author and the finisher of your faith. It's solid as a rock. It's a solid rock. When it comes up out of you, all that stuff goes away, but that solidifies the word of God. Amen!

Vs 6 "And the seven angels, which had the seven trumpets, prepared themselves to sound." Now notice that they prepared themselves. That's our responsibility to prepare ourselves to be able to speak the word of God upon the face of the earth. He said, "I'll place it within you", but we still have a responsibility, c'mon. We've got to be able to see that this just isn't going to happen, that God isn't going to wave a magic wand, or you're going to get a woo, woo, woo, you know, a big feeling and then all of a sudden I know everything about the word of God. It takes time and preparation. There will be lots of earthquakes and aftershocks. We're going to get some aftershocks after the initial earthquake, and we've all had after-shocks since God has started dealing with us. We just thought that first one was it. Hang on, there's another one coming. So they all prepared themselves to sound, or literally, to speak. We can't speak the word of God if we don't know the word of God. We've got to know it in our Spirit. It is not just something we memorize. A friend of mine is a Pastor over in Kentucky, in the Church of Christ, and he came one time, years ago, when we were still meeting in the basement and he wanted to tape it. He wanted to tape my message and then go preach it. He wanted to memorize what I said and then go preach it. And we talked and he said, "How do you do this? You talk and quote scripture and understand things about God and you can do it for hours and hours and you never miss a word? How did you memorize all that?" And I said, "You missed it." If you think I memorized it, then anybody can do it; you can train a parrot to do that. You can train a parrot to speak, but it's in your Spirit. God places it within you and you don't have any choice, it's just what's in there. If you turn your computer on and you only have one program in it, what's it going to do? It will only do what you've got programmed in it, and God put that in me to do that, and I can't do anything else. It's the same way with you. If you let Him bring alive this word in your life, there is nothing else you can do. Where does your mind go first thing in the morning when you wake up? It's on the Christ. It's on His word. What can He do when you're working through the day? I'm thinking about things of God. What do I do when I go to lunch? I think about God. I couldn't think about eating without thanking Him for it. I mean, it's not a religious thing; I really thank Him for it. And we're working all afternoon and I don't care if I'm fishing or if I'm just out in the street, or if I'm helping somebody

work, or outside working, ... He's still there. That's what we're supposed to do, that's that responsibility of letting Him work in our lives. You see it doesn't have to be just with your nose stuck in the book, but if we keep ourselves tuned to the Spirit of God, He's going to speak things in our life that gives us a witness of what He's already written there before the foundation. I was speaking to a man a few weeks ago, and he said, "I just don't know if I believe all this stuff or not." I said, "Well I'm not going to argue with you about it. If you don't want to change that's Okay, but we began to speak, and as we spoke, I spoke some words from the Old Covenant to him, and I'm trying to show him that this thing is in shadows and types back there bringing the reality of Christ today, and all of a sudden he said, "Oh my God." I said, "What?" He said, "Oh my God." I said, "What?" He said, "I see that!" I mean he was so excited that he saw the pattern from the Old Testament to the new. I mean you couldn't of handed him five hundred dollars and made him any happier than what he saw at that moment, he said, "You know what?" And this is what shocked me. He said, "God hasn't give up on me yet, has he?" See, he just revealed his heart. He thought God had given up on him, because he had been separated from the church world for several years. See that? See how quick that mind will jump in there? But it tells on itself. He said, "God is still working on me, he hasn't given up on me." I haven't talk to him since, but it'll come around. God's word will not return void, it will accomplish what it is sent there to do.

Vs 7 "The first angel sounded and there followed hail and fire, with blood." That doesn't sound good does it? But hang on. Now we just had an earthquake didn't we? All this stuff is all associated with that earthquake, and when it first comes around, when you first hear the word of God, it's pretty hard, isn't it? Do you know what hail is? Its frozen water; hard water, its hard word. That "hard word" comes and changes your lifestyle. I can't walk that path any more; I have to change and go some place else. It's a hard word, and there is fire, right? The cleansing and the purification begins in our lives. So when this earthquake is going on, that word comes, that hard solid word, the word that He said would be like a rod of iron; it's uncompromising. When that hail falls it falls on everything doesn't it? Whatever is in the area, it falls on it. It doesn't let it go, it changes whatever is there. It will beat it down, won't it? But see, all this has to come with this earthquake. Once it's started, and see the Christ started it, and now the rest of them," the messengers", have to bring the finished work. Didn't He say, "Greater works than these shall you do?" The things that He did, you're going to do a greater work aren't you? It says, "fire mingled with blood" What does blood mean to you? Most of the time, people say blood is death, but blood is life. See, it's life or death. But he said all these things are mingled, hail, fire, and

blood. Hail and fire, with blood. Life is mingled in there. See, in this hard word and in this purification that's coming, it's bringing what? LIFE. All of this together is going to bring out the life of God in us. "And they were cast upon the earth. HELLO EARTH. "And the third part of the trees": What is that? Trees are humanity. So it was cast on a third part. Passover, Pentecost, Tabernacles. There's three thirds isn't there? It was cast on one third of them wasn't it? It was cast on one third of humanity and it was burnt up. I think John said in Revelation, if I'm not mistaken, he said this, "Don't measure the outer court." Let's finish verse 7. "And all green grass was burnt up". What was burnt up? Grass. You can look in Psalm 40:6 & 8; Psalm 103:15 and I Peter 1:24 and it says this, "All grass is flesh." So what did he pour it on? He's destroying the fleshly thinking. It's about the flesh; it's not about people. We've got to get this concept in our mind that says the wicked and all this stuff is people. It's not people. It's the wicked in our thinking process that has to be removed. It's not about this flesh that we walk around in; it's about this flesh in our mind, and the way we think with our fleshly thinking. If we understand that, we will quit looking at those people out there and saying they're our problem. Because they're not our problem are they? Our problem is in our thinking process. Anytime you look external and point at anybody and point out that they're the problem, you've totally missed it. The only reason someone can offend you, someone can hurt you, is because there is a weakness in your heart. If our heart were perfect, we would stand. Jesus was tested in every way as a man. Right? So He felt every pain you could feel, but He never let it take Him off his course. Paul said this about Him, "He learned obedience through the things He suffered." So the suffering will bring you to this perfection. It's not the people's fault. You'll look at those people one day and say,"hey, I thank God you were the person you were, because if you hadn't have been I wouldn't have changed". There are people in my life that have hurt me tremendously, and have done terrible things to me, and today I can say, "I am so thankful that person was in my life" because they changed me. They brought about that earthquake in my life. They brought about that lava spewing up out of my earth, and it got out. All that old nasty stuff that was in here pressuring me has been released, and now I can walk in peace. I thank God for it. I'm going to tell you that when I was going through it, I didn't think that way. You'll never think when you are walking through it that 'this is great', but when you walk past it, and you look back and say, "Whew!! I'm glad I'm not there any more." Thank God that they changed me, because there is going to be a greater test come, but guess what? There's GREATER grace. There is always more grace. Always more grace. He strengthens you. Once He strengthens you, that test is never going to bother you again, and you can walk on to the next one. He's got it laid out. You have to just

trust Him. So all the green grass was burned up. So all the flesh was burned up. Thank God! That tells me that we've got hope. So that lets me know that we will come to perfection. If all flesh is burned up there's none left is there, Guess what? That ought to make you shout. You ought to be so happy.

Vs 8 "And the second angel sounded, and as it were a great mountain burning with fire was cast into the sea; and a third part of the sea became blood". Now hang on. If you have this great mountain of fire and you throw it in the water, the fire is going out. Right? Water puts fire out. Is that right? So we can't be looking at this in the natural can we? Now who is this great big mountain? It's God, and it's His kingdom. So this great big mountain was burning with fire. You can go to the book of Luke and to Mark, and it speaks of the fire being cast into the earth. He says, "what if it has already been started?" We see this great big mountain burning with fire cast into the what? Sea. The sea speaks of humanity, the multitudes of the people. In this we see that God is cast in with His fire into the sea, and a third part of the sea became what? Blood. (Alive.) It's Tabernacles, one third. The scripture says that there is power of life and death in the tongue. Right? When we speak this word it is either one of two things to people, life or death. Life is going to come to Tabernacles, and the others is going to be what? **Death**, but that is only for a season. THANK GOD. It's only for a season. They are not going to remain there forever. It's for a purification, it'll be all right; there's more angels coming. Don't worry.

Vs 9 "And a third part of the creatures", literally it is the creation. It's "ktisma" in the language, which is creation. So the "creation which were in the sea and had life" did what? <u>Died.</u> This word life is "psuche" (psoo-khay'). It is not Spirit, it's soul. We all have a soul life don't we, because we became a living soul when God created us, Did we not? So He said a third part of these people became dead. They had life but they died. <u>Hello over comer</u>. What must you do? We must die. Don't we have to die to our SELF? Our soul has to be given up, doesn't it? So, he says "a third part of creation, which were in the sea, (that's the humanity, the multitudes), and had life died; and a third part of the ships were destroyed." A third part of what, were destroyed? <u>Ships, systems of man.</u> Every one of us is a ship on the sea of humanity, and a third part of our ship got sunk. He just torpedoed us. OK? Can you hear that? He torpedoed our ship, our soul, so that our Spirit might be made alive.

Vs 10 "And the third angel sounded and there fell a great star from heaven;" I wonder what star that might be? <u>It's the Morning Star; it's the Christ</u>. "And the third (star) sounded and there fell a great star from heaven"; now where did

it fall to? It said it fell upon the third part of the rivers and upon the fountains of waters, so it had to fall upon the earth didn't it? Jesus was that Bright and Morning Star; He was the one that fell from the heaven realms to the earth. But now, it's not a bad thing, that's His crucifixion. That's His crucifixion. We've seen Passover and Pentecost, why not crucifixion in here also? And it says this; it fell upon a third part of the rivers, and upon the fountains of waters. What are we called? We're supposed to be vessels with rivers of living water flowing out of our belly aren't we? We're fountains. There's a song they sing 'Spring up O Well' and in the language it literally says 'we're fountains of gushing water'. So literally, what are these rivers and these fountains? I'm going to get away from here and go into symbolism. What does this represent, the rivers and upon the fountains of waters? It's upon the word. This Christ, this great star fell upon these people; and He only fell upon one third of them. Now this is His purpose; He's brought purification. What is a star made out of? It is actually burning gases, Okay, and something there is burning, like the sun, it's this great big ball of fire, right? When it falls to the earth, it's very hot, and it falls; so what does that create? Fire, and what does fire do again? It purifies. So He is telling you that this mind of Christ that he has here; this great star, the Christ, fell upon the earth; it fell upon a third of them, and it fell upon a third of the rivers. The word coming out of these people. God is going to purify this word, so even if we have flaws in our mind. He is going to purify it. We can't purify ourselves. God is going to fall upon these rivers, this supply of the word. He is going to fall upon the fountains, and that's the individual people who are speaking this word. What is this fire from this great star, going to do? It's going to purify it and make it right. Now, literally upon these ministries that have been the ministries of man, God is going to convert them through His heat, His light, and His power. We can't do that on our own. We don't have the ability in us to do those things; it's the Christ that will change us.

Vs 11 "And the name of the star is called Wormwood;" What does the word "Wormwood" mean? <u>Bitter</u>. It's talking about the Passover again. The word of God is bitter. They had bitter herbs with their Passover didn't they? The word of God becomes very bitter in our soul. "The name of the star is called Wormwood, or bitter, and a third part of the waters became what? "Wormwood". Literally it means they became embittered, angry, irritated, or indignant. Sometimes I've seen the word of God make people so mad. It is amazing. I see them spit, curse, throw things, pull guns out and threaten to shoot people. Just walk around in humanity brother, it's everywhere. You see, that the word of God creates that in them, it makes them angry; it makes them bitter and vile, but you see that doesn't bother me because when God is working in

someone's life and that embitterment is in their soul, I know what's coming. I know they're coming out of it. God will bring them out of it. "And many men died from the waters because they were made (angry, irritated, indignant, and bitter). Now isn't there life and death in the word? You see that's what it's about. There are a third of them that are going to come to life right now, and the other two thirds aren't going to, right now. They're going to, but not right now. That is what the church world has a problem with. They want to put everybody in hell and burn him or her for eternity and out of the same mouth they'll speak, "But God's going to save the whole world." In James it says," a double-minded man or a two spirited or a two souled man, is unstable in all of his ways." Now how could it be? How could God throw everybody in hell for eternity and save the whole world? How many of us have failed because of the bitter thing that was in us, that we were told, "if you don't live this God is going to do this thing to you?" You see it has to get bitter. It can't do anything but be bitter, unless it's by the Spirit of God and truth, and unless that big mountain falls on that water; that star with His purification, if it isn't thrown in there and all of this purification coming, the word they speak are not by the Spirit of God, but they're out of their humanity, all it will be is embitterment to you. It will not bring the life, but we have that fire in us now, don't we? NOW it comes to life. The same words that you heard years ago in church, don't mean what they do today do they? You see because NOW you have that life that came into you. Before you would hear it under condemnation, it's not under condemnation. Now you realize this fire in your life is purification. Hey, praise God. What's the next one?

Vs 12 "And the fourth angel sounded and a third part of the sun was smitten, and a third part of the moon, and a third part of the stars; so as the third part of them was darkened and the day shone not, for a third part of it, and the night likewise." Now the fourth angel sounded and the third part of the what? The sun. If we go back to Genesis 37, we see that in Joseph's life, when he had his dream, that he understood by his father's words...he said, the sun, the moon, the stars would all bow down to him. His father translated this by saying, "Shall I, the sun; and your mother, the moon; and the eleven stars, your brothers; all bow to you?" So we see that he says here that a third part of the sun was smitten, and a third part of the moon, and a third part of the stars. So what do we see? We see God, a third part of Him; that's a third of humanity. We see a third part of the moon, the church, smitten; and a third part of the stars; the brothers, the seed of Abraham; and so the third part of them was what? Darkened. Darkened in what? Understanding. And the day or the daystar shone not for a third part of it and the night likewise. So they did not have the light of Christ in them for a third of the time, a part of the time; it's just a time period.

Vs 13 "And I beheld and heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven, this word "beheld" literally means, "saw". I saw and heard an angel flying, not through, but in the midst of heaven. What are you? God dwells where? In heaven. Our Father which art in heaven. Doesn't God dwell within you? So, guess what? Heaven. Hello Heaven. You are the heaven that He lives in, that this spirit is flying in the midst of. "Saving with a loud voice, Woe, woe, woe." Woe literally means, pain, grief, and suffering; "to the inhabiters or the permanent residents of the earth." This is the first two covenants, the dust and the sand. The sand covenant, and the dust covenant, will always remain on the earth. The only way we can come out of the dust and the sand is to ascend into the heavenlies to a place where the serpents can't come. The dust and the sand is literally what? Serpent's food. Serpents cannot fly to a higher realm than the earth. They must stay in the dust and the sand. Isaiah said it this way, 'There's a higher way' or literally a highway, and the language would really say, there's a higher way than the way that man walks upon. There's a way where the lions can't tread, and vultures can't fly. That's what he's talking about, being seated in the heavenlies, as Paul said, 'We are seated in heavenly places in Christ Jesus.' This is what we're talking about. He's saying, He's showing you that the realms are prevalent in this word; that there is a place for a people that choose to be seated in heavenly places, rather than being satisfied with Passover, or Pentecost. Some people are very satisfied just to be saved. So they can say, " I'm not going to hell." Well, that's not good enough for me. When I came to Pentecost, I thought my God, everybody said that's all there is. But you know what? There's more than Pentecost. There's Tabernacles beyond that; and you know, when we get in Tabernacles, I don't know how far we can go. Just because we said we've entered this realm, does not mean we've entered the fullness of it. There's much more out there than what we know. God is going to continue to take us and we'll be knowing Him for eternity.

And He said it was "*woe, woe, woe to the permanent inhabiters of the earth, by reason of the remaining voices of the trumpet of the three angels, which are yet to sound.*" Well I'm going to tell you, this trumpet for these three angels was a remaining word of God. But the "woe" was only to the people that remain permanently in the dust and the sand. If we come out of this dust and sand realm, and ascend into the heavenlies where we are to be seated in Christ, guess what? There's no **WOE**! The vulture can't fly there, the lion can't walk there, the carnal mind cannot ascend into the heavenlies; flesh and blood cannot inherit the Kingdom. I'm speaking about going to a place where nobody in their carnality can even dream of getting to. I'm speaking about sitting in a place where God is our center, where He is the center of our universe. We don't have a need for the moon, and the sun, and the stars, because He is the light of that place, and that's what we have to ascend to. Come on; let's get out of this carnality we've fought for so many years, and come to a place where we let God be God in our lives. Let's not limit ourselves any longer to the things and the weaknesses of this carnality that man has placed within us. They have told us for so long that we are just frail humanity. We are not frail humanity. We are Sons of God that has a destiny to reach the heights of the mountain of Zion. Come on, we've got to quit thinking like humanity. We must think like our Father. We must think by His Spirit. We must think by the mind of Christ.

O God, help us today. Help us to understand what is going on, in this earth today; this earthquake that you are bringing in our lives. Help us to understand, Father, that this is what is by your hand. It's not giving glory and honor to some demon or some devil for doing some big cataclysmic thing in our life, but Father, it's about you performing an earthquake in our life. It's a controlled earthquake, and Father, you can take this thing and you can take it to the limit, and still you will not destroy in all your Holy Mountain. O God, help us to see that your plan will come to perfection in Mt Zion. Hallelujah. Thank You, Father.

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